



***Embassy of the United States of America  
Madrid, Spain***

**Security Message for U.S. Citizens: Terrorist Threat Level in Spain**

**September 10, 2014**

On September 9, 2014 the Spanish Ministry of Interior announced it had raised the threat level of a terrorist attack from category “two-low” to category “two-high,” meaning an increase in surveillance and protection of areas that would possibly be targeted by terrorists, such as airports, train stations, and centers of critical infrastructure.

Although the Government of Spain cites no specific threat of any type, the U.S. Embassy takes this opportunity to remind citizens of the continuing threat of terrorist actions and violence against U.S. citizens throughout the world, and to maintain a high level of vigilance and take appropriate steps to increase security awareness, as described in the [Worldwide Caution](#) issued in April of 2014.

The U.S. Embassy encourages U.S. citizens to review the "[Traveler's Checklist](#)," which includes valuable security information for those both living and traveling abroad. All U.S. citizens in Spain are urged to enroll online at the [Smart Traveler Enrollment Program](#) (STEP). Enrolling gives U.S. Citizens access to updated information on travel and security within Spain and makes it easier for the Embassy to contact citizens in case of emergency.

Current information on safety and security can also be obtained by calling 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States or a regular toll line at 1-202-501-4444 for callers from other countries. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays). You can also stay up to date by bookmarking our [Bureau of Consular Affairs website](#), which contains the current [Travel Warnings and Travel Alerts](#) as well as the [Worldwide Caution](#) as well as [Country Specific Information for Spain](#). Follow us on [Twitter](#) and the Bureau of Consular Affairs page on [Facebook](#) as well.

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